promulgating said query from said step of generating a query from said receiver Istation to said data network through said data network connection; and recording said step of promulgating said query in a data record at said storage 3 device. 4 The method of claim 2 further comprising the steps of: 3. 5 transferring said data record from said step of recording said step of 6 promulgating said query from said receiver station storage device to a data collection 7 station on said data network through said data network connection. 8 The method of claim 2 wherein said data network connection is a 9 4. telephone interface connection. 10 A method for tracking a receiver station's use of information in a data network at a data collection station, said receiver station having a data network 12 connection, a processor, an input device, and a data storage device, said data network 13 having a plurality of data information sources, said method comprising the steps of: 14 providing information to a plurality of receiver stations from said plurality of 15 data sources; 16 performing a function on said information at said receiver station; 17

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recording an identification of said function performed at said step of performing a function at said receiver station on said receiver station data storage device; and transferring said record of identification of said function performed at said receiver station to a data collection station on said data network through said receiver station network connection.

5a	<u>[</u>]	6. The method of claim 5 wherein said receiver station network connection is
H	2	a telephone network connection.
	3	7. The method of claim 5 wherein said function in said step of performing a
	4	function is a series of numerical functions performed on a computer.
.0.		8. A method of delivering and gathering information on the use of a control
Cyle	6	signal in a communication network, said network comprising a transmitter station and
•	7	receiver station, said transmitter station being capable of receiving queries and
•	8	communicating program materials and data, said receiver station comprising an input
	9	device for inputting a command, an processor for receiving programming instructions
	10	and communicating information, and a computer for storing data and controlling
	11	presentations, said method comprising the steps of:
\mathcal{U}^{1}	12	programming said computer to store a portfolio of data that designate a plurality
) · .	. 13	of personal interest of a subscriber;
	14	querying said transmitter station for data of programming of interest;
	15	receiving some portion of a presentation control signal or some mass medium
	16	programming on the basis of a comparison with information stored in said computer;
•	17	presenting a unit of mass medium programming at a computer peripheral
•	18	location on the basis of said data or programming of interest received from said
	19	transmitter station; and

programming or said portion of a presentation control signal.

communicating from said receiver station a datum of said unit of mass medium

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